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Subject: Opposition to Sections 3 and 8 in Conveyance Act

Hello,

I am concerned about the potential ecological consequences of this year's Conveyance Act, particularly sections 3 and 8.

I do not believe state parkland should be transferred to a single town for municipal purposes, as is proposed in Section 3, particularly when the land in question contains important habitat for a state species of conservation concern (the Brown Thrasher) and when the likely outcome of such a transfer would be a parking lot.

Additionally, watershed land (at risk from the proposal in Section 8) should be protected for both its ecological value and for the sake of maintaining water quality, which is important for public health. Furthermore I have heard that DEEP and Aquarion were not consulted about Section 8's proposal in advance, which concerns me as I feel that input from the state environmental agency and easement holders should be essential to determining the best course of action in potential land transfers.

I oppose these sections on these grounds.

Thank you very much for your time.

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